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SUBJECT No. 200.

Opening of a new Fuel Depot at Davangere.

Messrs. Channavirayya and Guru Siddappa, Davangere Municipality.

Mr. Channavirayya.—Great difficulty is felt for fuel here on account of the existence of many factories and also of the large population of the town.

Second Member of Council.—Government had opened such depots in Bangalore and Mysore Cities and the experiment was a failure. It is not possible for Government to take up such business, judging by the experience they have gained. It will be better if merchants and other commercial men take up such business and Government will do all they can to help them through the Forest Department.

SUBJECT No. 201.

Appointment of a Special Sub-Registrar at Holalkere.

Mr. Gopalaiya, Holalkere Municipality.

Mr. Gopalaiya.—As the work in the Taluk office at Holalkere is heavy, the Taluk Sheristedar is not able to attend to the work of registration. We pray that a Special Sub-Registrar may be appointed to this place.

Second Member of Council.—According to the rules, a Sub-Registrar's Office can only be opened if the number of documents that are registered do not fall below the number prescribed. If the number of documents reach the prescribed standard during this year, arrangements will be made to open a Special Sub-Registry Office at Holalkere.

SUBJECT No. 202.

Increased Police Force for Davangere Town.

Messrs. Chennavirayya and Gurusiddappa, Davangere Municipality.

Mr. Chennavirayya.—Davangere is an important place of trade and is the third important town in the State. The town is extending in all directions and the need for more police for patrol duty is greatly felt. The number of constables that are posted there now is insufficient. Out of this small number, a few will be detailed for duty for other purposes such as serving summons, and for escorting prisoners. A portion of this number was also removed recently. Hence we pray that the police force on the scale of population may be allowed. The present population is 16,000.

Third Member of Council.—Only the temporary police force that had been posted there in connection with Food Control has been removed. By increasing the police force, it does not mean that crime will be reduced. The scale that has now been sanctioned to this town is that of Bangalore and Mysore calculated on the basis of population. After the ensuing Census is over, this question may be considered if population has increased by then.